



# EPA announces cleanup plan for Attleboro Superfund Site

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THE EPA HAS ANNOUNCED its proposed plan for a cleanup of the Walton and Lonsbury Superfund Site in Attleboro. / COURTESY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

PROVIDENCE – A proposed cleanup plan was announced for the Walton and Lonsbury Superfund Site in Attleboro, the EPA announced Thursday.

The EPA added the site to the Superfund program's national priorities list in 2013. The site formerly housed electroplating operations. The property had a drain pipe that emptied wastewater into wetlands south of the facility for decades. The operation, which was active from 1940 to 2007, included the use of chromium plating, solvents and acids. The site also had a sludge lagoon, underground storage tanks, a dry well for solvent disposal and above-ground tanks that leaked.

The EPA conducted an emergency removal action of the building and tanks in 2010 to address immediate risks to local residents.

The plan will include removal of the remaining facility features of the site, excavation of contaminated soil, treatment of soil, an expansion of a reactive barrier along Bliss Brook, restoration of affected areas and other contingency efforts and monitoring.

The project is expected to cost \$22 million.

"EPA is firmly committed to working with the community to identify the best clean-up plan for the Walton and Lonsbury Superfund Site," said EPA New England Acting Regional Administrator Deborah Szaro. "We strive for a plan that fully protects public health and the environment, while also reflecting the community's input."

The EPA is soliciting public input from the public between July 26 and Aug. 26.

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